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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 3600**

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In re Application  
Inventor(s): Brian Wehrung  
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Architecture and Method for a  
Material Transport System

**PATENT APPLICATION**

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**RESPONSE B UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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This RESPONSE B is in reply to the Office Action mailed February 24, 2004. No fee is due for the addition of any new claims. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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